

## COMMENT OF BRITISH PAPERS.

## LONDON'S PRESS SHOCKED—EXPRESSIONS OF SYMPATHY.

News of the attempted assassination of President McKinley has been generally in Europe until this morning. All the London papers praise the President and regret the shooting—call for international condemnation to put down Anarchists.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, Sept. 7.—The British public and the peoples of Europe will not learn of the attempt on the life of President McKinley until morning, but the first facts soon spread among the clubs after the closing of the theatres here, evoking expressions of a universal hope of recovery and abhorrence of the crime. There was deep relief when it was learned that Nieman's revolver was not as likely to prove as deadly as Caesar's dagger at Lyons in 1804, when President Carnot fell by an anarchist's hand at the moment he was paying a similar official visit among his admiring fellow citizens.

The crime which will now shock Europe comes as a startling substantiation of the deep-felt anxiety of the police of all European countries, who even now are doubling their numbers and redoubting their vigilance whenever a ruler emerges from his circle of friends and attendants into the region of crowds. This caused unprecedented privacy within the masses of uniformed guards during the Kaiser's and King Edward's journeys on the occasion of Empress Frederick's funeral, and the same guarding method compelled the French Government to confine its programme for the Czar's visit to places where he will be surrounded by uniformed protectors. There will be no risk of the enthusiasm of the crowds of Paris lest they conceal an anarchist vowed to murder the Russian ruler.

The entire press of London joins in paying a tribute to President McKinley's dignified character and friendly personality.

The Morning Post says:

"Another of those inexplicable events which disgrace humanity has to be recorded. This morning, the day after the terrible and broad-minded utterances of the President's speech at Buffalo, with his heart full not merely of zealous regard for the interests of his own countrymen, but also consideration and friendliness for his neighbors and commercial rivals, President McKinley has been the victim of a murderous attack. A blow struck at a monarch or President is a blow aimed at the majesty and power of a nation. Isolated, insane outrages are beyond provision or even safeguards, but there are certain measures of precaution which all nations can take in concert, which they are now justified in enforcing. The common enemy ought to be exterminated, as he can be, by joint international action of the great nations."

The Telegraph says:

"When the British Empire was plunged into grief by the close of the great and glorious reign of Queen Victoria the genuine sorrow manifested by all citizens in the United States proved to us that they felt our loss as their own. Sympathy can only be repaid with sympathy. There is nothing in the internal condition of the United States, upon whose exuberant prosperity we dwell only two days ago with justifiable pride, or in their external relations, which could account for the existence of the passions that breed assassins. Assassination and its kindred crimes are not political but anti-social offenses. These guilty do not strike against a particular form of government, but all organized defence of law and order. In a vast majority of cases the man who presses the trigger is morally less a villain than the coward who denunciations he transcribes into action."

The Daily Mail says:

"President McKinley has been a wise and far-seeing ruler. He was the first to recognize clearly the necessity for expansion of the United States. His period of office will always be famous for the epoch in which the foundation of the American Empire began. He is not, perhaps, a great statesman, but a man of plain, sterling sense."

The Mail thinks that it is notoriety and publicity which in most cases leads a criminal to perpetrate such atrocities, and says that if the criminal could be dealt with on the spot one great inducement to crime would be removed. There is no reason why rulers, it says, should not be accompanied by one or two armed men, who in such cases would have orders to shoot and shoot at once.

The Daily News, writing under the impression that the President's wounds are mortal, says that "a brave, upright governor of men perishes in the execution of his duty. He was a typical American. In this country he might have been attorney-general or a director of a big business. In America he was twice President, and his inextinguishable self-reliance and belief in the destiny of his country made him the most representative of the Presidents. His last speech sounded the note of a commercial empire with which his name will be associated. He was the first President to expound the imperial idea, which has played havoc with old party lines in America as it has done here."

The Standard says: "All the fustian about vindictive rights of the poor and avenging the wrongs done by Government and the vicious gloss that disguises the brutal instincts of vice. The deaths of Lincoln and Garfield differ from the present crime President McKinley is the first who has been marked for doom in pursuance of a conspiracy which at one time was supposed to be directed exclusively against the inheritors of monarchical tradition."

The Chronicle says that the closest possible alliance between the police of all nations and the greatest vigilance within each country are the only effective weapons society has against the common enemy. It adds:

"On political grounds as well as on the ground of human feeling it would be a grievous calamity if Mr. McKinley does not recover. The President stands for a policy and an epoch. His work is not concluded. To the President himself, who is hearing the blow with so much quiet courage, to the devoted wife, and the whole American nation, the sympathy of the British people goes out with unstinted sincerity in this hour of grievous anxiety."

The Graphic declares that President McKinley was wounded because his position, won by sheer hard work and singleness of purpose, marked him as a target for a homicidal instinct.

The Times says:

"The world will hear with horror and deep regret of the murder attempt. It will be a relief to the feelings of the people of the United States that the criminal is not one of themselves. If he is an anarchist the people of the United States will realize more fully than ever that there are enemies of society who are as active and as implacable under the widest development of democracy as under what are considered the effects of despotism of the old world."

## LORD MAYOR SENDS SYMPATHY.

The Hon. Frank Green of London Indignant Over the Crime.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, Sept. 6.—The Right Hon. Frank Green, Lord Mayor of London was greatly distressed when informed of the attempt on President McKinley's life. He said to the bearer of the news:

"The Lord Mayor of London learns with feelings of the greatest possible indignation and consternation of the dastardly, cowardly attack on the life of the President of the United States. He is confident that the citizens of London will unite in a common sentiment of detestation and abhorrence of so horrible and unprovoked a crime. The Lord Mayor prays that so valuable a life will be spared. At the same time he offers an expression of sympathy to all American citizens."

## COMMENTS OF A PARIS PAPER.

Says McKinley's Terms in Office Are Turning Points in Our History.

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PARIS, Sept. 7.—The *Libre Parole* sums up Mr. McKinley's terms in office and says that they are turning points in the history of the United States. The Monroe Doctrine during his incumbency of the Presidential chair has been accepted as a principle of the Government, there has been a gigantic development of trusts and strikes, and a vertigo of imperialistic magnanimity, which is the source of a certain decadence in the United States.

## NEWS SENT TO KING EDWARD.

He Will Learn of the Attempted Assassination at Hamburg.

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LONDON, Sept. 7.—The news of the attempted assassination of President McKinley was sent from the Foreign Office to the Lord Chamberlain, who transmitted it to King Edward, who will learn it at Hamburg this morning. Similar messages were sent to Lord Salisbury at Hatfield House, Lord Lansdowne, the Foreign Secretary, who is in the way of England, and Ambassador Choate, who is visiting near Berlin.

## Americans in London Hear the News.

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LONDON, Sept. 7.—Many of the American visitors at the London hotels remained up until early this morning inquiring for news and waiting replies regarding the condition of President McKinley. One party around the ticker in the Carlton Hotel included J. W. Gates, Mr. Frick, Mr. Morgenthau and Frank McKay. A number of Americans at the Hotel Cecil who were discussing the Cup races immediately arose and doffed their hats when they learned of the attempted assassination.

## Ambassador Porter Unwilling to Credit It.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

PARIS, Sept. 7.—Up to 1 o'clock this morning Ambassador Porter had heard nothing official concerning the shooting of President McKinley. He refused at first to believe the news.

## Sorrow in St. Louis.

Ex-Gov. Francis Says the Act of the Assassination is an Attack on Our Institutions.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 6.—News of the attempted assassination of President McKinley was received here with horror and regret. The only bright spot in the tragedy was that it was non-political and evidently emanated from a diseased brain. Business was generally suspended and throngs of people gathered at the bulletin boards painfully awaiting each announcement from Buffalo, hoping and praying that the life of the Chief Executive might be spared. The grief and indignation were non-partisan. Democrats, with Republicans in expressions of admiration for the man so fully stricken down by an assassin's bullet. Col. Sam Kennard, a well-known officer in the Confederate Army, was loud in condemning the dastardly crime and its effect upon democratic institutions. When asked for an expression of his views on the crime of the century, David R. Francis, President of the Louisiana Exposition Company, former member of Mr. Cleveland's Cabinet and one time Governor of Missouri, said:

"The assault on President McKinley is the most horrible and deplorable within my recollection. Words fail me in which to express my personal sorrow and my deep regret as a citizen. In a personal interview with the President, had in Canton two weeks ago, I was more than ever impressed with the sweetness of his disposition and the strength of his character. As a leader of men he has few equals in history. An able Chief Magistrate, he has had no superior within the recollection of the present generation. The act of this assassin is a stain on the annals of our country and is to be deplored for that reason, in addition to the fact that the blow falls on one so universally beloved."

The result of this attack on the President is known to many of the citizens here. He has visited this city twice, once in April, 1895, as Governor of Ohio, and again as President. He has been a frequent visitor to the city, and his presence has been a source of pride to the people. He has been a frequent visitor to the city, and his presence has been a source of pride to the people. He has been a frequent visitor to the city, and his presence has been a source of pride to the people.

## W. J. BRYAN DEPRESSED.

He Says the Attack on the President is a Shock to the Entire Country.

LINCOLN, Neb., Sept. 6.—William J. Bryan, a deeply depressed man, was informed of the attack on the President at Buffalo, and he expressed profound regret. When assured of the authenticity of the reports he wired the Chief Executive, expressing his sympathy. To-night he gave out the following statement:

"The attempted assassination of the President is a shock to the entire country and he and his wife are the recipients of universal sympathy. The dispatches say that the shot was fired by an insane man, and it is hoped that this is true, for while it is a terrible thing for a President to be killed, it is a terrible thing for a man to be killed by a madman. It would be even worse to be fired upon by a sane person, prompted by malice or revenge. In a Republic where the people elect their own officials and can remove them there can be no excuse for violence."

Gov. Savage to-night wired the following to Mr. McKinley:

"The people of the State of Nebraska feel with you in your sad affliction and are earnestly supplicating Divine Providence to spare the life of our illustrious President."

## FRENCH JOURNALISTS HERE.

On Arrival All Chief Reports to Their Papers of the Shooting of the President.

Aboard the French liner *Le Secour*, in yesterday from Havre, were several French newspaper men, including M. Dutilleul, general manager of *L'Echo*; M. Domenech of the *Journal des Debats*; M. Juhn and M. Goussoulin of *Le Petit Journal*; and M. Davis of *L'Illustration*. They went to the Hotel Martin and immediately called to their respective papers the news of the attempted assassination of President McKinley. They will write up the trip and the news of the shooting, and will also contain their impressions of the newspaper methods in America. There were also several French priests on the liner.

## LOOKING UP NIEMAN HERE.

Police Never Heard of Him—New York Anarchists Repudiate the Man.

As soon as the report of the shooting was received at Police Headquarters Capt. Titus of the Detective Bureau rushed to a telephone and tried to get a connection on the wire with Detective Sergeant Valley of this city, who is in charge of the detectives at the Pan-American Exposition. While he was trying to do that Valley called his chief up and told him the name and the description of the President's assailant.

Capt. Titus then ordered his men to make a search of the police records to learn if the man had ever been arrested before. No trace of him was found. Capt. Titus said that a more exhaustive search would be made to-day.

New York Anarchists who were seen by a SUN reporter last night denied that they knew of an anarchist named Frederick Nieman. No anarchist of that name was known in any of the groups in this country, they declared. John Most, the leader of the Anarchists in this city, when seen in one of his haunts on the East Side, pronounced Nieman as a crank.

"He is likely a crank," said Most. "Probably he was altogether crazy. There are no Anarchists in Poland. It is a Roman Catholic country, where every one goes to church. Then Nieman is not a Polish but a German name. We Anarchists know nothing about him."

"Every one who kills a King or a President is not an Anarchist. Giteau, who shot President Garfield, wasn't one—was he? I believe that Nieman was an irresponsible crank. I may make a longer statement when I know more about the matter."

At Justice H. Schwab's saloon, 50 First street, once a resort of Anarchist Anarchists and now Emma Goldman's New York headquarters, it was said that she is now on a lecturing tour out West. Justice H. Schwab, son of the late Anarchist leader, said that the Anarchists did not now believe in killing Kings and Presidents. They wanted the present order of things changed, but did not believe in that way of doing it. Like Most, Schwab said that Nieman was unknown to the Anarchists of this country and was probably a fanatic or a lunatic.

Other Reds who were seen about the headquarters of the International Club Freiheit asserted that the Anarchists here were not advocating the killing of people.

## PRAYED FOR THE PRESIDENT.

Comptroller Coler Asked Church Club to Do So Before He Lectured.

Comptroller Coler made an address on municipal matters before the Men's Social League of Bethesda Congregational Church in Brooklyn last evening. He came to the meeting in a state of excitement over the attempted assassination of the President and before entering upon his topic said he could see from the faces of his audience that their minds were absorbed by the great crime. He also said:

"President McKinley's character is far above that of many other men who have been at the head of this Government. I believe I have been one of his most earnest political opponents. I have also been his warm personal friend because of his sterling qualities as a man. Let us pray that Almighty God will spare his life to this country."

The Rev. Charles Herald, pastor of the church, made an earnest prayer that President McKinley's life might be spared. He said that the country, the world and the good wife needed the President.

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## GRIEF IN MANY PLACES.

Reception of the News of the Shooting Throughout the Country.

CLEVELAND, O., Sept. 6.—One hundred of President McKinley's fellow citizens composing the Canton Eerie of the Order of Eagles, and accompanied by McKinley's Own Band of the Eighth Regiment of Canton, arrived here late this afternoon on a visit to the Cleveland Eerie. They were deeply grieved when the news of the attempted assassination met them here and the expected jubilation was declared off. The Anarchists in this city, who were the band playing nothing but national anthems. The streets of the city are packed to-night, no one apparently daring to leave his home or to go to the theatre. The streets of the city are packed to-night, no one apparently daring to leave his home or to go to the theatre.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Sept. 6.—Gov. Stone was much affected by the news of the shooting of the President and paid a high tribute to Mr. McKinley, with whom he served in Congress. When the latter advised him to leave the theatre he refused to do so.

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## ANXIOUS CROWDS IN STREETS.

NEWS RECEIVED HERE WITH DEEP SORROW.

Hotel Lobbies Filled With Citizens Eager for the Latest Details From Buffalo and Whirlpools Displayed in Great Many of the Store Windows.

The excitement in this city following the first announcement of the attempt to assassinate the President subsided somewhat, but that the chances were in favor of his ultimate recovery despite the seriousness of his injuries. Hundreds of people who would not have thought of anything save hearing the latest reports from the President's bedside, in consequence went their various ways, not assembling in the streets and leaving few signs of the excitement which might have been expected in view of so momentous an event.

Around the hotels there was a great deal of anxious inquiry up to a late hour last night, for everybody was excited by the news, particularly the people from out of town, groups of whom stayed around the tickers to get the latest news. From the very first this news was encouraging, and when it became known that the President had passed through the operations of the medical staff without showing no signs of sinking the rejoicing was universal.

Around the hotels the attempt on the President's life was the principal topic of conversation. Men stood in the corridors, in the cafes and in the parlors, and discussed it and the desire for the latest news was very keen. One and all were strong in their denunciation of the would-be assassin. It was notable that most of the general denunciation of such crimes complained of the ease with which rabid Anarchists seemed to be able to enter this country and of the freedom of speech permitted to Anarchists and others who might be expected to incite the weak or violent to acts of this kind.

At the Hoffman House there was a large gathering of politicians, who were engaged in political affairs, and who were discussing the situation. The news reached him, and he hurried to Buffalo. He called at the Milburn home, learned the condition of the President and then accompanied State Commissioner William C. Warren to the latter's home on North street.

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At 10 o'clock Mr. Scatterd was asked whether the Exposition would be closed for a day or longer on account of the affair. He said:

"The Exposition will go on just the same. To-morrow is Rochester Day and we have notified the people of Rochester to come on and spend the day. The same as if nothing happened. The President's condition is not considered such as to make the closing of the Exposition even for a day necessary."

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Engagements Cancelled When the Buffalo News Was Received.

NEWPORT, R. I., Sept. 6.—The news of the shooting of President McKinley was received with a shock at fashionable Newport. All business seemed to come to a standstill and the bulletin boards were eagerly watched by thousands of people. The first news was to the effect that he was dead, but this was soon contradicted, much to the relief of all.

Newport is the summering place of many of the country's leading financiers, and their families were much depressed over the shocking affair. When the news of the shooting reached the cottage colony many of those who were to entertain to-night cancelled their engagements and would the President not recover it will mean the ending of the Newport season.

## ASTROLOGER MEYER'S WARNING.

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If the President lives he will pass the critical period of his illness about the end of the month. The doctors in probing for the bullet will have considerable difficulty in locating it, as in the case of the late President Garfield."

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Six Anarchists Arrested in Chicago.

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## PLOT HATCHED IN CLEVELAND?

The Police There Have Arrested Two Anarchists.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Sept. 6.—The plot to murder President McKinley was hatched in Cleveland. The police have arrested two Anarchists.

THE CZOLGOSZ FAMILY.

Assassin Has Seven Brothers and Sisters Living in Cleveland.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Sept. 6.—Leon Czolgosz, who shot President McKinley, has seven brothers and sisters living in Cleveland. The directory gives the addresses of the following:

Charles Czolgosz, wire drawer, 12 Homer street; Frank Czolgosz, wire drawer, 97 Homer street; John Czolgosz, butcher, 50 Henschel avenue; Michael Czolgosz, laborer, 12 Homer street.

The first two named are employed by the American Steel and Wire Trust.

## SENATOR HANNA ARRIVES.

Hurried to Buffalo From Cleveland—Gov. Odell Also Arrives.

BUFFALO, Sept. 6.—As soon as the President was shot word was sent to Vice-President Roosevelt, the members of the Cabinet, Senator Hanna, Gov. Odell and Abner McKinley, the President's brother, who is in Colorado.

Early in the evening the replies to the telegrams began to pour in and hundreds of telegrams of condolence from personal friends in all parts of the world who had heard of the attack on Mr. McKinley came also. Mr. Cortelyou declined to-night to give out any list of those who had sent such messages, but stated that most of the Governors of States and hundreds of prominent persons both in America and Europe had sent despatches.

Gov. Odell arrived here early. He was at Lockport, thirty miles from here, looking into some canal matters, when the news reached him, and he hurried to Buffalo. He called at the Milburn home, learned the condition of the President and then accompanied State Commissioner William C. Warren to the latter's home on North street.

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A WOMAN MAKES THE TRIP AFTER TAKING STIMULANTS.